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Application No. 10/614,312	Filing Date 07/07/2003	Examiner Huyen D. Le	Customer No. 23405	Group Art Unit 3751	Confirmation No. 8270



Invention: **SYSTEMS, METHODS, AND VALVES FOR PROVIDING PRESSURIZED WATER TO A PLURALITY OF WATER JETS IN A BATHING ENCLOSURE**

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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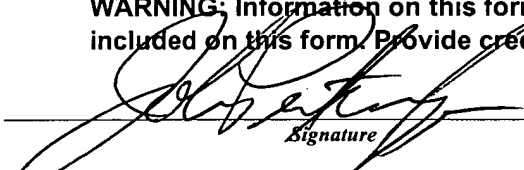
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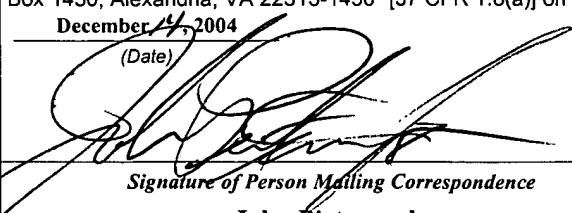


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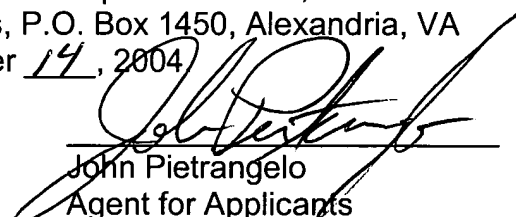
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

This Response to Office Action is being submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2004 for the above-referenced application. Since this Response is being filed on or before December 18, 2004, this Response is being timely filed.

Application No.: 10/614,312  
Amendment dated December 14, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of November 18, 2004

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.